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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR CONTROLLING AN ELECTRONIC UTILITY DEVICE USING AN ELECTRONIC READING DEVICE
Docket No.: 34650-657PT

Dear Sir:

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1. Information Disclosure Statement
2. Form PTO-1449
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The Applicant notes that the DE 3427067 and DE 4212990 references are not in the English language. These references are believed to be potentially relevant in that they were cited in a PCT International Search Report for a related application.

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